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Senate Resolution 760

By: Senators Bulloch of the 11th and Hudgens of the 47th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and recognizing Georgia veterinarians; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians use their scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit
- 3 of society through the protection of animal health, the relief of animal suffering, the
- 4 conservation of livestock resources, the promotion of public health, and the advancement of
- 5 medical knowledge; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians protect the health and welfare of animals in this state that
- 7 provide companionship, food, and fiber; and
- 8 WHEREAS, veterinarians are an important link in Georgia's public health system and in
- 9 agriculture and food defense; and
- 10 WHEREAS, veterinarians own and operate small businesses in communities both large and
- 11 small throughout Georgia; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association has been the voice of organized
- 13 veterinary medicine for more than 100 years; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Honorable Sonny Perdue, the Governor of this great state, is a veterinarian.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 16 commend Georgia veterinarians and the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association for their
- 17 contributions to improve the health and welfare of Georgia's companion animals, livestock
- herds, and poultry flocks.
- 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following distinguished leaders in veterinary
- 20 medicine are recognized by the Senate: Dr. Karen Wylie, Georgia Veterinary Medical
- 21 Association president; Dr. Ed Mahaffey, Georgia Veterinary Medical Association,

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1 Legislative Action Committee chairperson; Dr. Becky Malphus, Georgia State Board of

- 2 Veterinary Medicine chairperson; Dr. Sheila Allen, University of Georgia College of
- 3 Veterinary Medicine dean; Dr. Carter Black, Georgia State Veterinarian; Dr. Vince Obsitnik,
- 4 "Veterinarians' Day at the Capitol" coordinator; and Dr. Jim McClearen, Georgia
- 5 Veterinarian Association president-elect.
- 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 7 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to each of the above-named persons.